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Office of Inspector General**

Inspection of Embassy Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea



Embassy Port Moresby

Embassy Port Moresby was effectively promoting U.S. goals in the region and raising the visibility of the United States through an active diplomatic agenda.

Embassy Port Moresby locally employed staff and management operations required improvement. In addition, the quality of information management and telecommunications support was poor. Both American and locally employed staff in the information management office were short of the skill levels needed to address problems. Host country infrastructure limitations

compounded the problems for which adequate budget-minded solutions had not yet been found.

The Bureau of Overseas Buildings Operations (OBO) had reached an agreement with a property owner to hold property in the Harbour City area until it is purchased. The purchase contract, which was supposed to be finalized in October 2008, had not yet been signed, and post had returned the funding to OBO. The new embassy compound will be an OBO small secure compound with an expected completion date of 2010-11.

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